



MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

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Description of proposal: Clark Grade timber sale application #80-084170, and the attached forest practice application # is a two unit variable retention harvest proposal located in the Olympic Experimental State Forest (OESF). The estimated timber volume removal for this proposal is 3,374 mbf, encompassing approximately 102 acres of harvest. Approximately 4,210 feet of optional new road construction and 5,780 feet of pre-haul maintenance are planned for this proposal.

Description of mitigation: The following Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) procedures apply:

Northern Spotted Owl: This proposal is located in non habitat. Approximately 86 acres of this proposal are over 50 years of age and will be subject to the acreage limits. PR-14-004-120

Marbled Murrelet: The sale area was determined to be non-murrelet habitat by the OESF interim marbled murrelet strategy.

Slope Stability: There are no unstable slopes associated with this proposal

Riparian and/or Wetland Management Zones (RMZ/WMZ): This proposal has one forested wetland associated with it. This forested wetland has been protected with a Western Hemlock 100 year site index buffer of 154 feet.

Retention Trees: Retaining a minimum of eight trees per acre in the proposal area provides legacy elements for recruitment of future snags, coarse woody debris, multi-layered stands and large diameter trees. In Unit one there are 439 trees in Leave Tree Areas and 42 individually painted trees. Unit two has 65 trees in Leave Tree Areas and 327 individually painted trees.

Roads: The 30+20 spur into Unit 2 will be constructed and decommissioned in one operating season. The season will be April 15 thru October 15.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources – Olympic Region

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: The proposal is located approximately 14 road miles east of Forks in Sec.'s 32, 33 and 34 Twp.30N, Rge.12 W W.M.

Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

[] **There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.**

X **This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from April 9, 2009. Comments must be submitted by April 23, 2009**

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There is no agency SEPA appeal.
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